

Buttles Street Road DietProject Objectives



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Background

2015 MDOT Corridor Study commences

2017 MDOT Corridor Study concludes

March 2017 Presentation to City Council

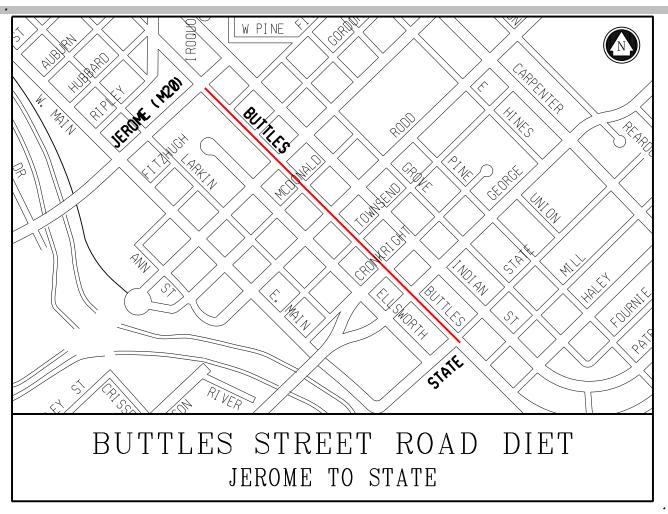
August 2017 3 Day Trial Completed

November 2017 1 Week Trial Completed

December 2017 Results to City Council

Road Diet Resolution Adopted

Spring 2018 MDOT 1 Year Trial commences
 Extended due to M-20 Bridge







US-10 Business Route Buttles Street Road Diet MDOT Stated Objectives/Directives

Developed based on Stakeholder input

- 1. Accommodate the design year (2040) traffic volumes
- 2. Alleviate current and anticipated traffic congestion at intersections and along road segments
- Enhance safety and reduce crashes for all modes of transportation
- Increase connectivity to Downtown Midland & Discovery Square
- 5. Improve non-motorized mobility and eliminate barriers for bicyclist/pedestrians with minimal impacts to traffic flow
- 6. Context Sensitive Design
- 7. Support economic development within the corridor





US-10 Business Route Buttles Street Road Diet Alternative 1 - Objectives/Directives

Alternative 1 – Road Diet

- Provide acceptable levels of traffic operations
- Traffic calming
- Low cost
- Promote future development in the corridor
- Increase the connection between the downtown area and surrounding neighborhoods
- Improve pedestrian experience by reducing the number of lanes required to cross Buttles
- Provide a non-motorized zone, with various options





- If City Council elects to pursue the preferred alternative, or road diet, MDOT has proposed to set up a long-term trial period.
- Long-term trial period, or pilot project includes delineation reducing the number of lanes to 2 between Jerome (M-20) and State Street
- Implementation of the road diet with monitoring of delay, backups and congestion
- Trial period to last approximately three years. Duration of the trial period is due to anticipated traffic pattern changes during the M-20 bridge reconstruction.



- Resolution put before you supported the concept of converting the three-lane section of US-10BR, Buttles Street, to a two-lane section, with the additional lane area being used for future improvements to the non-motorized network.
- Resolution approved December 18, 2017



- August-September 2018 Council discussions
- September 17, 2018
 Resolution adopted directing staff to bring back a report on the purposed and objectives of the road diet



Traffic Objectives

- Appropriately resize the road from 3 lanes to 2
- Positively impact traffic speeds
- Do not negatively impact vehicular safety

Planning Objectives

- Improve pedestrian experience
- Better connect neighborhoods to downtown
- Improve walkability of the downtown
- Balance needs of all users of the road corridor
- Provide for and encourage a mix of land uses



 Draft resolution would adopt these objectives and thereby clarify the purpose of the road diet



REMINDER:

MDOT will be reporting back on the conditions of the corridor during the road diet trial in late October or early November

